Hides and Skin sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce and conducted by the Central Leather Research Institute was on formulation of a national policy on slaughter of animals.

(b) The recommendation has been communicated to the State Governments as the subject matter is under the purview of the States.

Screening of .Tamas' Serial

1727. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government are aware of the controversy on the screening of T.V. serial 'Tamas' by Doordarshan and whether Government have received any representations for and against its screening;

(b) what are the reasons for telecasting such a sensitive serial;

^c) whether Government propose to review the norms for clearing serials by Doordarshan and whether the clearance by the present Committee is final in all respects; and

(d) whether members of the Subcommittee on media of the National Integration Council watched the serial and whether they recommended the serial 'Tamaa' for telecasting?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The serial was considered to be carrying a powerful message to the people to guard against communalism and anti-social elements which ferment divisive forces in our society.

(c) The existing procedures for clearing serials are considered adequate.

(d) The film was shown to some members of the Nations] Integration Council, before its telecast.

Commercial Service from Doordarshan Kendra, Ahmedabad

1728. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAHjv
SHRI MIRZA IRSHADBAIG:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether commercial service has commenced from Doordarshan Kendra, Ahmedabad and if so, when and what are the capacities available for regional service in Gujarat;

(b) the total income earned so far and estimated income to be earned in the next year from the advertisements and what is the rate of advertisements;

(c) the States which are to get regional service by the end of the current plan period and what are the criteria for the same; and

(d) whether any UHF band is being utilised for telecasting in the country; if so, the details thereof?

THE (MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHA=» GAT): The Commercial Service commenced from Doordarshan Kendra, Ahmedabad with effect from 1st January, 1988. According to the approved arrangements, the regional service in Gujarat is scheduled to be introduced after launching and operationalisa-tion of INSAT-II.

(b) Gross revenue earned by Doordarshan from Commercial advertisements was Rs-116.72 crores approximate^ upto January 1988 during the financial year 1987-88 for the entire TV network. Similar revenue to be earned by Doordarshan during 1988-89 has been estimated at Rs. 142 crores. The aproved rate structure of spot booking for cemmercial advertisement on Doordarshan is given in the attached statement. (See Appendix CXLV, Annexure No. 69).

(c) According to the approved arrangements, the Primary (regional) service is envisaged to be introduced by the end of the VII Plan period fcn
States of Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Orissa and Karnataka and in the North East Region via satellite and i'" the substantial parts of the States of West Bengal, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar through microwave linkage. The introduction of regional service in various States is related to the availability of infr a-structur al facilities.

(d) In view of scarcity of VHF channels, forty-five low power (100 W) TV transmitters are proposed to be «et up in the UHF Band during the VII Plan period, mainly in the States of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan.

Condition for Commercial use of Residential Areas

1729. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pelased to state:

(a) what terms and conditions have been prescribed by the Delhi Development Authority under sub-regulation (b) of Regulation 12 of the Delhi Development Authority (Zoning) Regulations, 1983 regarding commercial use in re-idential areas; published in the Gazette of India on the 18th January, 1986;

(h) on which date and at what level these terms and conditions were prescribed by the Delhfi! Development Authority and from which date these have been put into operation;

(c) what are the reasons for which these terms and conditions have not been specified in the regulation itself; and

(d) whether there is any proposal to Specify these terms and conditions in the sub-regulation (b) itself; if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c) Separate terms and conditions under sub-regulation (b) of regulation 12 of the DDA (Zoning) Regulations, 1983 have been prescribed. Using of residential premises in contravention of the land use prescribed in the master plan for Delhi attracts action u'nder section 14 read with section 29(2) of the Delhi Development Act, 1957. However, temporary permission is granted under 'Special Appeal' keeping in view the needs and requirements of the neighbourhood to use the residential premises for non conforming purposes subject to certain terms and conditions and Payment of specified composition fee as Is id down in the resolutions passed by the DDA in this regard.

(d) No, Sir.

Land Reforms .Policy

1730. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWA-MY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any change in the policy of land reforms;

(b) if not, what are tbe reasons for the slow progress in land reforms;

(c) whether Government have assessed the implementation of land ceilings;

(d) whether any States have objected to certain clauses of Land Ceiling Act; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) The land reforms policy pursued since Independence has consisted of (A) abolition of intermediary tenures, (B) tenancy reforms